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CIVIL WAR VETERANS

SAMUEL BAIRD AKERMAN,
JOHN AKERMAN,
WILLIAM HENRY AKERMAN
Sons of William and Keziah B. Akerman.

SPANISH AMERICAN WAR VETERAN

THURMAN O. AKERMAN,
Son of Newton S. and Catherine Akerman.

WORLD WAR VETERANS

EVERETT AKERMAN,
Son of William N. and Clara Akerman.

WALTER K. GRUBB,
Son of John A. and Emma May Bell Akerman Grubb.

ARTHUR AKERMAN,
Son of Eugene Arthur and Alda Akerman.

ORVAL AKERMAN,
Son of Loren E. and Elizabeth Akerman.

WALTER AKERMAN,
Son of Newton and Fannie Akerman.

JOHN OSWELL STALEY,
Son of Francis Marion and Alice Staley.

CARL ACKERMAN,
COYNE ACKERMAN,
Sons of Albert J. and Laura Ackerman.

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The Above Committee, and

NORTEN J. AKERMAN,

And Perhaps Others,

Secured the Data Herein.

Compiled by

E. C. AKERMAN,

September 2, 1933.

ROOT AND TRUNK, BRANCH AND LEAF, OF THE AKERMAN FAMILY

We meet this September 2, 1933, at Jackson Township Park, LaFayette, Ohio, to commemorate the one-hundredth year of the wedding of our ancestral pair.

According to tradition, a certain man in Germany owned one acre of land, and from this fact, his friends and neighbors began to call him "Akerman".

William Akerman was born April 17, 1810, and tradition further says in sight of Harrisburg, Pa., and died at LaFayette, Ohio, October 9, 1878.

Of his ancestry the writer knows nothing; but he had a brother, John, who could speak but little English.

William emigrated to Morgan County, Ohio, and there met Keziah B. Carroll, a Scotch-Irish lass, born May 18, 1814, to whom he was married May 9, 1833.

Soon thereafter, they moved to Allen County, Ohio, and on July 4, 1834, William received a deed from Robert Lucas, Governor of Ohio, for 120 acres of land, situated one mile east of LaFayette, Ohio, paying $150 therefor. On May 14, 1836, he purchased from the Governor, 40 acres, paying $50 therefor. In 1848, he purchased another 40 acre tract for $175; in 1857, a small tract; in 1858, what is known to some of us as "Stony Point", where the boys and girls could always find the "fiddle and the fiddler", "Good Old Days", never to return; in 1863, a 40 acre tract for $600; and in 1866, a small tract, his last purchase; and these constitute the "Old Homestead of 252.49 acres of land.

Our ancester was a teacher one or more terms and a successful farmer. He served two terms as County Commissioner, beginning in 1849. He was again called to this office, seving from 1872 to 1877 inclusive. He was always closely identified with civic and religious movements, helped to organize and was a Charter Member of the Union Sunday School and Church, the first to be established at LaFayette.

Keziah B. passed away February 27, 1887.

To this couple were born thirteen children, their names and births following: Samuel Baird, Feb. 8, 1834; Nancy, May 15, 1836; John, May 12, 1838; William Henry, May 10, 1840; Marie Jane, July 5, 1842; Andrew J., Nov. 1, 1844; James M., March 3, 1847; Mary S. May 4, 1849; David C., August 13, 1851; Albert J., Oct. 25, 1852; Newton S., Jan. 20, 1855; Letitia, Sept. 1857, and Keziah Ruth, Nov. 23, 1858; Nancy, Andrew, David and Letitia dying in infancy.

Uncle Dave + Aunt Jane Young
Missouri

MEMORANDA

I SAMUEL BAIRD AKERMAN married Eva Fisher, and of this union nine children were born, A. J., Laura M., John M., and Charles E., (Dillon, Christine, Mary E., Eva and Letitia, dying in early life.) His second marriage was to Sophia Seely. He was a farmer, well respected, and several times elected Treasurer of his Township in Paulding County, Ohio. As such, he persuaded the Trustees to permit him to deposit the funds of the Township in the bank for safer keeping. The bank failed and the funds were lost. The Legislature passed a law permitting the people of the Township to vote whether the Township or he should bear the loss. Every vote, except one, was in favor of the Township bearing the loss. He died in October, 1908.

1. A. J., (Jack) Akerman married Bertha Van Valkenbergh, and to them five children were born, Myra E., George H., and Edwin E., (Hattie and Letitia dying in infancy).

   1a. Myra E. was married to Cornelius Martratt, and of this union two children were born, Edward and Arthur.

   2a. George H. married Nellie Tabler, two children being born, Maxine and Walter (deceased).

   3a. Edwin E., unmarried. A. J. (Jack) is now deceased.

2. Laura M. (now deceased) was married to Henry Ramsey, and of this family there were seven children, Mary Ann, John M., Elgie, Samuel W., Ivy M., Vina V., and Elma B.

   1a. Mary Ann Ramsey intermarried with J. H. Downhour (now deceased), and of this union there are seven children, J. Henry, Mildred L., Charles G., Lester S., Lloyd, Bernice, and Howard.

   1b. J. Henry Downhour married Matilda Fritz, one child, Walter John.

   2b. Mildred L. was maried to Rev. James F. Walston, one child, Phyllis Ann.

   3b. The other children are unmarried.

2a. John M. Ramsey, residence unknown.

3a. Samuel W. married Edna Crotinger, and to them three children were born, Donald, Woodrow and Robert, all single.

4a. Ivy M. Ramsey (now deceased) was married to F. M. Hart. Six children, Irvin, Ray, Doyle, Beatrice, Helen and William.

5a. Vina V. was married to W. A. Tennis, there being four children, Marcella, Connie (deceased), Perry, and Fern.

   1b. Marcella Tennis intermarried with Lester Cross. There are no children.

6a. Elma B. Ramsey (now deceased) intermarried with Paul Michaels, one child, Helen, unmarried.

7a. Elgie Ramsey is unmarried.

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3 John M. Akerman (now deceased) married Mary Workman, three children, Axel L., Samuel D., and (Raymond Chester dying in infancy).

1a. Axel L. (now deceased) married Nellie J. Lewis, and to this union two children were born, Ladene Margaret and Mary Marcell, both children unmarried.

2a. Samuel D. married Bessie Shafer, two children born, Martha Juanita and John J., the latter unmarried.

1b. Martha Juanita was married to Wayne Johnson, one child, Diane, unmarried.

4. Charles Elmer Akerman (deceased August 2, 1934) married Gladys Hadley, and of this union there were seven children, Forest, Clifton, Nellie, Ethel, Violet, Audra Madeline (deceased) and Robert.

1a. Forest married a Miss Warner, no children.

2a. Clifton is unmarried; in the West.

3a. Nellie intermarried with a Mr. Jones. They have one child, Raymond, unmarried.

4a. Violet was married to Lase Wheeler, and of this union three children were born, Howard, Herschel and Barbara, all unmarried.

5a. Ethel and Robert are unmarried.

MEMORANDA

II JOHN AKERMAN and Sarah Fisher were united in marriage October 31, 1858, ten children being born of this union, Norten J., William N., Emma May Belle, Eugene Arthur, Loren Everett, Eva Junetta, (and Charles, John and Cora dying in early life), and Newton. John Akerman was a very patriotic and public-spirited citizen. He was a captain in the Civil War and an excellent drummer. He was engaged in farming practically all his life. Of the Christian Conference of his District, he was President seventeen years. He served as Trustee of his Township in Paulding County, Ohio, Justice of the Peace in Allen County, Mayor of the Village of LaFayette, Ohio, Commissioner of Allen County, two terms—1888 to 1894, and was a most excellent official. He died October 28, 1918.

1. Norten J. Akerman (deceased May 14, 1934) and Parthenia Denney were married March 16, 1879, and of this union five children were born, (Edna May, deceased), Blanche, McClellan H., Myrtle and Henry Leroy. Norten J. was a farmer and salesman.

1a. Blanche intermarried with Arthur Lones, of which union there are two children, Clarence and Wesley O.

1b. Clarence married Marian Sparka, and to them Janett and Joan were born, both unmarried. This family lives in Los Angeles, California.

2b. Wesley O., (now of Wichita, Kansas,) married Agnes Hughes. There are no children.

2a. McClellan H. Akerman married Pearl Berry, to whom were born six children, Thomas, Edward, George, May, Walter and Joe.

1b. Thomas was married to Grace (sur-name unknown), of California, and to this union was born one child, Susan, unmarried.

2b. All the rest of McClellan's children are unmarried, except Edward. Wife's name unknown.

3a. Myrtle Akerman was married to Ross Boyd (now deceased). They had no children. Recently, she was married to Henry Edwards. They live near Grover Hill, Ohio.

4a. Henry Leroy intermarried with Maud Lott, and to them were born four children, Milfred, Harold N., Floyd and Howard L.

1b. Milfred married Mary McCarty. No children.

2b. The other children are unmarried.

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2. William N. Akerman, Grover Hill, Ohio, married Clara Campbell. They have a family of five children, Celia, Ola, May, Everett and Vinal. William has been a farmer all his life.

1a. Celia was married to Edward Richards, and to this couple seven children were born, Vittle Bernice, Ines Mildred, Ralph D., Norval Eugene, Wilbur Wilmont, Don Robert and James Edward (deceased).

1b. Vittle Bernice was married to Ray Custer, and to them were born two children, Wanda May and James Richard, both unmarried.

2b. Ines Mildred was married to Ralph Howard, and of this union there are two children, Doris Mildred and David Gene, both unmarried.

3b. Ralph D. married Norma Koontz. No children.

4b. Norval Eugene Richards married Maud Clark. Two children, an infant and Joy Marie, unmarried.

5b. Wilbur Wilmont married Dorene Converse. They have one child, Dane, unmarried.

6b. Don Robert is unmarried.

2a. Ola Akerman intermarried with Elmer Connon, of which union there are eight children, Audrey K., Carson, Delma, Ina May, James Everett, Dwight Edward, Ruth Darlene and Junior.

1b. Audrey K. intermarried with Paul Neibel, parents of two children, Betty Jane and Marcella, both unmarried.

2b. Delma intermarried with Glen Early. There are no children.

3b. James Everett is deceased, and all of Ola's other children are unmarried.

3a. May Akerman intermarried with William Spreen. They have no children and live near Jackson, Michigan.

4a. Everett married Fay Onaocher. They live in Findlay, Ohio, with their six children, Raymond C., Dana E., John H., Gene, Naomi, and William, all of who mare unmarried.

5a. Vinal married Delilah Gaugh, of which union there are four children, Richard C., Joyce, Carolyn, and Joan Patricia, all unmarried.

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3. Emma May Belle Akerman (now deceased) was married to John A. Grubb (now deceased), of which union there were five children, Esther Viola (now deceased), J. Allen, Edna Ruth, Walter K., and Joseph B.

   1a. Esther Viola Grubb intermarried with Walter Klingler. There is one child, Beulah Agnes, unmarried.

   2a. J. Allen, Denver, Colorado, a Singer of Tenor and Teacher of Music, married Katherine Day, of which union there are two children, Martha Jane and Margaret Marian, both unmarried.

   3a. Edna Ruth Grubb was married to C. C. McPheron (now deceased), and of this union one child was born, Auda, unmarried.

   4a. Walter K. Grubb, Harrod, Ohio, married Remah Clow, parents of five children, Marjory Jean, Betty Ann, Mary Louise, Joan Belle, and Doloras Ruth, all unmarried.

   5a. Joseph B. married Colleen Coon. No children.

4. Eugene Arthur Akerman married Alda Rice (now deceased), and of this union there are four children, Merl, Arthur, John and Brooks.

   1a. Murl married Cora Hamm, one child being born (now deceased), Glen Eugene.

   2a. Arthur married Florence Forest, and of this union two children were born, Dolores and Dorothy, both of whom are now deceased.

   3a. John married Lillian Harrod. They have one child, Darlene, unmarried.

   4a. Brooks married Frances Arnett. Two children were born, John Eugene and Thomas Lee, both of whom are now deceased.

5. Loren Everett Akerman married Elizabeth May, and to them three children were born, Duchess, Orval and Audrey.

   1a. Duchess lives in Kalamazoo, Mich., is the wife of Forest Bond, and has two children, Betty Jane and Audrey Jean, both of are unmarried.

   2a. Orval, Arcadia, Mich., married Malinda Strine, and to them were born two children, Vernon and John Milton both of whom are unmarried.

   3a. Audrey intermarried with Frank Wills. They live in Henry, Mich., and have one child, Joan, unmarried.

6. Eva Junetta Akerman intermarried with Walter W. Craig, and of this union three children were born, Robert, Odetta and Guynath.

   1a. Robert married Ann Slater. They have one child, Robert, Jr., unmarried.

   2a. Odetta was married to Alfred Stoll. They have one child, Joan, unmarried.

   3a. Guynath is unmarried.

7. Newton Akerman, Ogden, Utah, married Fannie Holman, and of this union two children were born, Walter and Arminta.

   1a. Walter married Edith Kuhns, and to them were born seven children, Frederick Newton, Eugene Sylvester, Edith Elenor, Paul Henry, Ronald Leroy, and (Walter Clayton and Velma Maxine, deceased). All the children are unmarried.

   2a. Arminta Akerman was married to C. A. Wilson, and to this union three children were born, Betty, Jane and Dot, the children unmarried. This family lives in Lima, Ohio.

MEMORANDA

III WILLIAM HENRY AKERMAN (deceased October 25, 1868) married Mary Jane Ransbottom (deceased February 26, 1918) January 1, 1863, parents of two children, Edwin Clyde and (Walter Clinton, dying in infancy). William H. was bugleman in the Civil War and was promoted to a captaincy. He was musically inclined, playing the melodion, dulcimer, violin, bugle and cornet; and was leader of the LaFayette, Ohio, Cornet Band. He taught school several terms, was a practical farmer, and was prominently mentioned for the office of County Recorder of Allen County, but passed away before the nomination.

1. Edwin Clyde married Sarah Augusta Butterfoss, parents of two children, Audrey Gail and Opal Fenella. He attended the Village school at LaFayette, and was graduated from Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio. He taught for several years, and superintended the Elida and the Bluffton public schools, both in Allen County. For nearly seven years past, he was a commercial teacher in Central High School, Lima, Ohio. He was elected County Auditor in 1905, serving two terms in that capacity; and then became Chief Deputy therein, during which time he studied Law at night and was admitted to the Bar in 1916. Had he remained one day more, he would have been in the Auditor's office twenty years and five months.

   You will please pardon the insertion of a clipping from The Lima, Ohio, *Times-Democrat* of October, 1906: "Clyde Akerman is a young man, but a gentleman of the highest educational and moral qualifications. By some of his friends, he is known as 'Old Facts and Figures', and those are features needed more in the auditor's office than in any other office in the county. For several years he has been principal of the schools at Bluffton, and his standing at his home was proven by the extraordinary vote he received. Mr. Akerman will make one of the best auditors Allen County ever had, and the line is a long one."

   1a. Audrey Gail Akerman (deceased December 18, 1930) was married to E. A. Hauenstein, of which union there are two children, John Edwin and Albert Dean, both of whom are unmarried.

   2a. Opal Fenella was married to Wilbur D. Nye. They have no children and live in Lima.

MEMORANDA

IV MARIE JANE AKERMAN (now deceased) was married to John T. Staley (now deceased), and of this union ten children were born, Francis Marion, Andrew, Mary Etta, Oswell, Hannah, Ruth, Keziah, Wyatt, and (William and John Riley dying in early life).

1. Francis Marion, Salem, South Dakota, married Melissa Ann Holtzberry, and to them one child was born, Claud Leroy.

   1a. Claud Leroy, Montrose, South Dakota, married Maud Thomas, and to them six children were born, Clifford (deceased), Marion LeRoy, Opal S., Vada Margaret, Izora Gertrude, and Bernice Mae, all of whom, according to record, are unmarried. The mother of Claud dying, Francis Marion's second wife was Alice Holtzberry, and to this union were born four children, William Oscar, John Oswell, Francis Murl and Newton Clarence.

   2a. William Oscar Staley, Canova, South Dakota, married Florence Thomas, of which union there are three children, John Francis, and twin daughters, Florence May and Dorene Fay, all of whom are unmarried.

   3a. John Oswell, Ft. Wayne, Indiana, married Minnie Smith (deceased in 1921), and to this union were born four children, Harold F., Wayne O., Mary Jane, and DeVon, all of whom are single. Jonn Oswell's second wife was Helen Betz—one child, Alice Mae, unmarried.

   4a. Francis Murl, Salem, South Dakota, married Claire Koblas, and of this union three children were born, Iola N., Derald K., and Guynithe U., all of whom are unmarried.

   5a. Newton Staley, Conova, South Dakota, married Isabelle Trotter.

2. Andrew Carroll Staley, Ava, Missouri, married Lizzie Harrow. They were the parents of five children, Donald (dying in infancy), Floyd, Nora, Carroll and Thelma. The mother dying, the second wife was Luella Harrow, who bore five children, Ersel, Walter, Ruby, Earl and Mary Lou.

   1a. Floyd Staley married Ola Gentry. One child was born, Dorothy, unmarried, Ava, Missouri.

   2a. Nora intermarried with Robert Hurlbutt. Three children were born, Louise (deceased), Robert Jr., and Wayne, both unmarried.

   3a. Carroll married Dessa Hall, and of this union there were two children, (Jack, deceased), and Betty, unmarried, Groom, Texas.

   4a. Thelma is married to Carl Long. No children.

   5a. Ersel married Berma Clinkingbeard. Three children were born, Eleanor, Lenora, and Andrew, all of whom are unmarried.

   6a. Walter married Emma Mae Ward, one child, unmarried. The family lives in Ava, Missouri.

   7a. Ruby, Earl and Mary Lou, all unmarried live in Ava, Missouri.

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3. Mary Etta Staley was married to Michael Keck. Her husband dying, she later married Harvey Barker. There were no children of either marriage. They live in Canova, South Dakota.

4. Oswell Staley married Linnie Snyder, of which union there were born two children, Mildred Bernadine and Cecil Doryl, both unmarried. The family lives in Salem, South Dakota.

5. Hannah Staley intermarried wth Albert Good, seven children being born to them, Clessie, Neva (dying in infancy), Mary Jane (accidental drowning), Eula, Grant, Albert and Ralph. The family lives in Canova, South Dakota.

   1a. Clessie Good was married to Milo Sutton. One child, Milo, was born, dying in infancy. The husband died more recently.

   2a. The other children, according to the record, are unmarried.

6. Ruth Staley intermarried with Will Shaller. To them were born two children, Fern and Dorothy.

   1a. Fern was married to Frank Everery. One child was born, Frank Everery, Jr.

   2a. Dorothy was married to Charles Conhlin. One child was born, Dorothy Ann, unmarried.

7. Keziah Staley was married to Bentley Turner (now deceased), two children being born of this union, Fay and Estella. In later years, Keziah (now deceased), was married to H. D. Rollins, two children being born to them, Eva Mae and Velma Elzina.

   1a. Fay Turner was married to John Darling, four children being born to them, John, Robert, Richard and Donald, all of whom are unmarried. John Darling is now deceased.

   2a. Estella Turner was married to Edward McNamara. There are no children.

   3a. Velma Elzina Rollins was married to Earl Heuer, and to them two children were born, Rolland Earl and Richard Douglas.

   4a. Eva Mae Rollins is unmarried.

8. Wyatt Staley (now deceased) married Nellie Shupp, one child, Claire, being born.

   1a. Claire married Edna Gottshal. Two children were born to them, Imogene and Ladene, both unmarried.

MEMORANDA

V JAMES M. AKERMAN (now deceased) married Cynthia Boop, and to them six children were born, Frank, Nora, Bertha, Albert, Cloyd and Neva. He was a good farmer, an excellent violinist and an expert fifer.

1. Frank married Letha Holman, and to them seven children were born, Edgar, Ruth, Mildred, David, Emmett, Philip and Erma.

   1a. Edgar Akerman married Martha Jacobs, four children being born of this union, Kenneth, Geneva, Phyllis and Ralph, all of whom are unmarried.

   2a. Ruth Akerman (now deceased) was married to Benjamin Miller. They had two children, Evelyn and Bertha, both of whom are unmarried.

   3a. Mildred intermarried with LeRoy Smith. They are the parents of three children, Junior, Eugenia and Patricia Ruth, all the children being unmarried.

   4a. Erma Akerman (now deceased) was married to Franklin Yost. There are no children.

   5a. David married Ninette Sprayley. There are no children.

   6a. Frank Akerman's other children are unmarried.

2. Nora Akerman was married to Joseph Shrider. They are the parents of four children, Floyd, Herschel, Geneva and Francis. The parents live in Glendale, California.

   1a. Herschel, Akron, Ohio, married Dorothy Cook. There are no children.

   2a. Geneva (Glendale, California) was married to Carl Busse. There are no children.

   3a. The other children are unmarried.

3. Bertha Akerman was married to John Lyle, the children born to them being Howard Carroll and Marian Jane.

   1a. Marian Jane was married to Ralph McElwain, two children being born of this union, Herbert Lyle, and Rebecca Joan, both unmarried.

   2a. Robert Carroll is unmarried.

4. Albert Akerman married Valentine Flanegan (now deceased). Five children were born to them, Michael Marion, Joseph Allen (both now deceased), Albert Valentine, Bernard Joseph and Francis Kenneth.

   1a. Albert Valentine married Cleo Aurand, and of this union, two children were born, Mary Louise and Paul Albert, both of whom are unmarried.

   2a. Bernard Joseph married Helen Dale, and to them one child was born, Helen Ann, unmarried.

   3a. Francis Kenneth married Marcella A. Weigand, and to them were born three children, Patricia Anita, Arline Marie and Marcella (now deceased). Patricia and Arline are unmarried.

5. Cloyd Akerman, Meadville, Pa., married Ella Muir. To them were born ten children, Gilbert, Sidney, Shirley, Robert, Neil, Cynthia and William, all unmarried. Cecil, Hugh and Richard are now deceased.

6. Neva Akerman was married to Clinton Fisher, and to them three children were born, Martha, Robert and Marion, all unmarried.

MEMORANDA

VI MARY S. AKERMAN, the last survivor of the children of William and Keziah B. Akerman (and now deceased) was married to James Gensel (now deceased), and of this union, there were nine children, Ollie Clinton (dying in infancy), William Gideon, Elvina Elizabeth, Ruth Keziah, Henry Marion, Mary Letitia, John Cleveland, Iva Rosetta, and Byron Albert.

1. William Gensel intermarried with Nellie Jenkins, and to them were born four children, Carl, Lloyd, Dorr and Hazel.

   1a. Carl married Edna (sur-name unknown), and has two children, William and Virginia.

   2a. Both Lloyd and Dorr married, but we have no further record.

   3a. Hazel is unmarried.

2. Elvina Elizabeth Gensel (now deceased) was married to Joshua Hartzog, and of this union twelve children were born, Ivan Byron (deceased 1895), Eva Pauline, Lettie Nevada, Annie May, Freda Victoria, Fredric Byron, Warren Cloyd and Walter Floyd (twins), James Arthur, Francis Marion, Laurence Ray and Florence Mae (twins).

   1a. Eva Pauline Hartzog intermarried with Orion L. Baker. To them three children were born, Mildred Elizabeth, Mary Wells, and William Byron (deceased 1927).

   2a. Lettie Nevada Hartzog was married to Everett Carico, and of this union there were two children, Kenneth E. and Frances Lucy (deceased 1928).

   3a. Annie May was married to Pierre Luneau. No children.

   4a. Freda Victoria Hartzog was married to Leslie A. Gray, two children being born to them, Ollie Lee (deceased 1923) and Donald Eugene.

   5a. Warren Cloyd died in 1925.

   6a. James Arthur Hartzog married Hazel Drew. No children.

   7a. Fredric Byron, Walter Floyd, Francis Marion, Laurence Ray and Florence Fay are unmarried.

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3. Ruth Keziah Gensel was married to Jesse C. Dickenson. They are the parents of ten children, Merlin James, Ruby Clemence, Effie Agnes, Hattie Virginia, Ralph Marion, John Alton, Clare Farrell, Floyd Raymond, Clyde Oliver, and Olive Mary.

   1a. Merlin James Dickenson married Neva Beardsley. They have two children, James Kenneth and Wanda Helen, both unmarried.

   2a. Ruby Clemence was married to Joseph Ouelette. They have one child, Joseph Earnest, unmarried.

   3a. Effie Agnes (deceased 1931) was married to Claude M. Bezenah. No children of this union.

   4a. Hattie Virginia Dickenson was married to James M. McCarthy, of which union four children were born, Robertta Jean, Donna Mae, Patsy Johann and Beverly Elaine, all of whom are unmarried.

   5a. Ralph Marion Gensel married Violet Ridley, and of this union were born three children, Dolores Johann, Norman Dale and Donald Lloyd, all of whom are unmarried.

   6a. John Alton Dickenson married Arlene Williams, three children being born to this union, Ronald Alton, Effie Arlene, and Richard Keith, all of whom are unmarried.

   7a. Clare Farrell married Mildred Van Shaw, one child, Marlene Vivian, unmarried.

   8a. Floyd Raymond married Evelyn Sandel. They have one child, Lois Ruth, unmarried.

   9a. Clyde Oliver and Olive Mary Dickenson are unmarried.

4. Henry Marion Gensel is unmarried.

5. Mary Lettitia Gensel intermarried with John M. Yant. They have two children, Violet and Fern.

   1a. Violet Yant was married to Chester Benway, three children being born to them, Irene, Wanda and Jackie, all of whom are unmarried.

   2a. Fern was married to Roy Block. There are two children, Suzanne and Geraldine, both unmarried.

6. John Cleveland Gensel married Opal Tierney, four children being born of this union, Betty Lou, Lois Mae, Richard Alvin, and Edgar Raymond, all unmarried.

7. Iva Rosetta Gensel was married to Ellwyn S. Skimin. There are no children.

8. Byron Albert Gensel married Frances Mary Byrnë. They have three children, Byron James, Thomas Richard and Robert Byrne, all unmarried.

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VII ALBERT J. ACKERMAN married Laura Shuster, and born to them were ten children, Charles, Edith, Grace, Clave, Guy, Carl, Coyne, Nora, Bernice and Gould. Albert J. was a prosperous farmer, owning a one hundred-sixty acre farm near Beaverdam, Allen County. Several years after retirement, he moved to Auglaize County, Ohio, where he died October 15, 1922.

1. Charles Ackerman married Rowena Strayer. They have no children.

2. Edith intermarried with George Staley, and to them were born twelve children, Marceille, Ilma, Richard, Albert, Eugene, Agnes, Warren, Russell, Laura, Iona, Brice and Shirley.

   1a. Ilma Staley intermarried with Monroe Rudy. There are no children.

   2a. Richard married Virginia Lora. No children.

   3a. Agnes was married to a Mr. Black. They have one little girl.

   4a. All the rest of the Staley children are unmarried.

3. Grace Ackerman intermarried with George Meyers. They have no children and live in Los Angeles, California.

4. Clave married Dessie Perry, and of this family there are seven children, Lloyd, Paul, Edwin and Edward (twins), Lois (deceased), Inez and Viola, all unmarried.

5. Guy Ackerman married Alice Stoner, and of this union were born three children, Dallas, Audrey and Shirley, all unmarried.

6. Carl (now deceased) married Melvina Young. There were no children.

7. Coyne Ackerman married Vesta Strong. There are three children, Clyde, Lyle and Floyd, all unmarried. Robert Lee — Donald Coyque — Gerold —

8. Nora was married to Dewey Augsburger. Of this marriage there is one child, Neil, unmarried.

9. Bernice was married to Winson Miller. Five children were born of this marriage, James (deceased), Wayne, LaDene, Marvin and Max, all unmarried. Gerry.

10. Gould is unmarried. — married Viola Krogh daughters — Diane Jane — Sharon Son Larry.

Marcille - Carl Cron - Son Dale Roger
Eugene - Geneva Fleming - daughter Marsha
Warren - Lelia Hall - daughter -
Laura - Richard Herneise - Linda Sue - Billy
Russell Winifred Mann Son Thad.
Iona - Richard Fisher
Agnes - Deb Black, - Cordilla, Margot - Stanley + Wilma
Olive - - Son Ned.
Richard's Kay - Karen + Kent.

Paul - Katherine - daughter.
Ed. - Shorty son Eddie
Buck - Margaret -
Inez - Jack McGinnis - Michael Dennis
Loyd - Alice

VIII NEWTON SAGER AKERMAN married Catherine Anspach, nine children being born of this union, Thurman O., May Lucretia, Verna Madge, Ernie A., Sara Minta, Ray C., Gladys Okley, George Dewey and Beatrice Alberta. Newton S. was a good farmer and a splendid violinist. At first, he learned to play by ear; but later, by note, committing the selections to memory. On one occasion he composed the "Lament Waltz", as he felt that he should have secured a musical education. In his earlier years, while he lived at "Stony Point", he kept almost "Open House" for the young people. On May 6, 1916, he passed away, respected and loved by both young and old.

1. Thurman O. married Abbie Heath. Four children were born of this union, Marjorie Ann, Beth Reth, Thurman Jr. (now deceased), and Miriam.

   1a. Marjorie Ann intermarried with William Baum (now deceased). One child was born to them, Bettie Ann, unmarried.

   2a. Miriam was married to Robert Diehl, and to them one child was born, Juda Lee, unmarried.

   3a. Beth Reth is unmarried.

2. May Lucretia Akerman, a teacher of music in her girlhood days, married William Contris. They have two children, Lyman A. and Donald M.

   1a. Lyman A. married Jane Griffith. They have no children.

   2a. Donald M. is unmarried.

3. Verna Madge Akerman intermarried with Jesse Wollett. They have no children.

4. Ernie A. married Rosa Fisher. They are the parents of five children, Lester, Leonard, Wesley, Ernest and Mary Joanna, all unmarried.

5. Gladys Okley, Findlay, Ohio, is unmarried.

6. Sara Minta, a teacher in her girlhood days, was married to George Sharr, and of this union there are three children, Philip, Ruth and Helen, all unmarried.

7. Ray C. Akerman intermarried with Matilda Fett, three children being born to them, Katherine, Rachel and Jean, all unmarried.

8. George Dewey Akerman married Donna Fudge. There are two children, Robert and Ann, both married.

9. Beatrice Alberta intermarried with Robert Eaton. Two children were born to them, Hugh and Roxanna, both unmarried.

7. Katherine married Maud McClure
Twin daughters Ronda Sandra
Rachel married - Holland Moyer
one son - Gene

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IX KEZIA RUTH AKERMAN taught school in her girlhood days, was married to Joseph S. McKanna (now deceased), and passed to the Great Beyond January 16, 1928. Of this marriage there were ten children, Maud Edith, Lois Edna, Clyde Carrol, Henry Amos, James William, Grace Ethel, Ruth Margaret, Neva Mildred, Ralph Joseph and Robert Raymond.

1. Maud Edith McKanna intermarried with Alonzo E. DeCamp and to this union ten children were born, Lois Carrol, Carl Royal, Olive Irene, Audrey Lucille, Earl Thomas, Ralph Raymond, Ruth Rosalinda, Gale William, Miles Reed, and Marjorie Grace.

   1a. Lois Carrol DeCamp was married to (sur-name unknown). They have no children.

   2a. Olive Irene intermarried with Carrol Shenk. They are the parents of two children, Gloria Grace (dying in infancy), and Marjorie Sue, unmarried. They live in Elida, Ohio.

   3a. Audrey Lucille was married to Leslie Edmiston, one child being born to them, Adella Lillian, unmarried. Their address is, Lima, Ohio.

   4a. All the other DeCamp children are unmarried.

2. Lois Edna McKanna was married to John H. DeVelbiss, and to them were born five children, Doyle Alonzo, Ruth Emma, Mary Mildred, Joseph Raymond and John Harvey. The mother, Lois Edna, is now deceased.

   1a. Doyle Alonzo DeVelbiss married Harriet Pangle. They have two children, Lois Elaine and Lewis Edward, both unmarried.

   2a. Ruth Emma was married to Thomas Cartwright. They have two little boys, Thomas Harvey and David Olan.

   3a. The other DeVelbiss children are unmarried, and live near Vaughnsville, Ohio.

3. Clyde Carrol McKanna married Jennie Edwards, and of this union there are seven children, Joseph Edward, Clare Vernon, Robert Carrol, Margaret Irene, Don Elihu, Clyde, Jr., and Max Burton.

   1a. Joseph was killed in early life.

   2a. Clare Vernon McKanna married Dorothea Bragg. They have one child, Earl Thomas, unmarried.

   3a. All the other children are unmarried.

4. Henry Amos McKanna married Frederica Frances Moehler, and of this union there were six children, Henryetta Mildred, James Lynn, Wayne Lewis, Dale Willis, Naomi Jane and Velma Belle.

   1a. Henryetta Mildred was married to Henry Brinkman. There are no children.

   2a. All the other children of this family are unmarried.

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5. James William McKanna married Ethel Nichols (now deceased). They were the parents of two children, Muriel Levaun and Thelma Cleopha.

   1a. Muriel Levaun was married to Russell Burkholder. They have one child Patricia Ann, unmarried.

   2a. Thelma Cleopha intermarried with Lloyd Hutchinson, and of this union there is one child, Robert Leland, unmarried.

6. Grace Ethel McKanna was married to Homer Lee Jones (now deceased), and of this union there were four children, Virgil Loren, Merlin Eugene, and Mildred Irene and Clifford Nolan (twins).

   1a. Virgil Loren Jones married Gladys Owens. No children.

   2a. The other children are unmarried.

7. Ruth Margaret McKanna was married to Sam E. Williams, and to them five children were born, Nita Ruth, Beth Eulalie, Doris Bernice, Olive Ilene, and James Theodore.

   1a. Nita Ruth Williams intermarried with Vernon Harris. They have no children.

   2a. The other children are unmarried. Sam E. died in 1931.

8. Neva Mildred McKanna intermarried with Byron Lee McDowell. There are two children, Wanda Elizabeth and Byron Milton, both unmarried.

9. Ralph Joseph McKanna and Robert Raymond McKanna are both unmarried.

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William and Keziah B. Akerman
and
Their Descendants

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